

HOUSE BILL No. 1978

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 14-22-6-15; IC 15-2.1-18-13.

Synopsis: Private deer herds. Provides that certain privately owned animals in the deer and elk family may be destroyed to reduce the size of the herd during times when the transportation of the animals is prohibited by the governor or board of animal health.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-6-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 15. The department shall oversee the reduction of**
4 **cervids from privately owned herds under IC 15-2.1-18-13(b).**

5 SECTION 2. IC 15-2.1-18-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.13-1999,
6 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
7 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 13. **(a)** Whenever the governor has good reason
8 to believe that any disease has become epidemic in another state and
9 that the importation of animals or products derived from animals from
10 that state would be injurious to the health of the citizens or the animals
11 of this state, the governor may, on the recommendation of the board,
12 designate such locality by proclamation and prohibit the entry or
13 stipulate the conditions under which animals and products derived from
14 animals of the type diseased or animals exposed to the disease may
15 enter the state.

16 **(b) Notwithstanding IC 14-22-2-6 and IC 14-22-6-1, if the**
17 **governor or the board prohibits the importation or exportation of**



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- 1 privately owned cervids for the purpose of protecting animal
2 health, a person who legally owns cervids may destroy one (1) or
3 more of the cervids if the following conditions are met:
4 (1) The cervid is destroyed to reduce the size of the herd.
5 (2) The cervid is destroyed by a means approved by the
6 department of natural resources.
7 (3) The destroyed cervid is tested for infectious diseases under
8 a program administered by the board.

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